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SUBJECT: SAN JOSE CONFERENCE (RIO TREATY)

REF: STATE 133032; MEXICO 5402; STATE 144512;

1. EMBOFF ON JUNE 23 CALLED ON FOREIGN SECRETARIAT DIRGEN FOR IO AFFAIRS PALACIOS WHOSE SUPERIOR HAD EARLIER (REFTEL B) EXPRESSED TO POL COUNSELOR CONCERN OVER UPI STORY ON POSSIBLE POSTPONEMENT OF SAN JOSE MEETING. EMBOFF GAVE PALACIOS GIST OF REASSURANCES ON THIS SUBJECT PROVIDED IN REFTEL C.

2. EMBOFF ALSO MADE POINTS CONTAINED REFTEL A CONCERNING U.S. POSITION ON RIO TREATY, EMPHASIZING U.S. VIEWS ON: (A) QUESTION OF COLLECTIVE ECONOMIC SECURITY (ARTICLE 2); (B) AMBIGUITY IN PROPOSED REVISION OF ARTICLE 3 AND U.S. INTEREST THAT THIS ARTICLE BE CLEARLY APPLICABLE TO ARMED ATTACK FROM OUTSIDE HEMISPHERE; AND (C) U.S. VIEW THAT CHANGE PERMITTING LIFTING SANCTIONS BY A MAJORITY VOTE WOULD CORRECT OBVIOUS FLAW IN RIO TREATY, BUT THAT TWO-THIRDS REQUIREMENT FOR DECISIONS BY ORGAN OF CONSULTATION WILL STILL BE VALID UNTIL PROTOCOL OF AMENDMENT COMES INTO EFFECT.

3. PALACIOS' INTEREST IN FOREGOING WAS PRIMARILY FOCUSED UPON REASSURANCE THAT U.S. IS NOT REPEAT NOT SEEKING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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POSTPONEMENT OF JULY 16 MEETING AND UPON 3C ABOVE. HE REFERRED

TO RECENT MEXICAN PROPOSAL (IN WASHINGTON) ON THIS ISSUE,
NOTED U.S. ABSTENTION, AND ASSUMED THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO
CHANGE IN U.S. POSITION.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS POINT AT ISSUE RE
PROTOCOL OF AMENDMENT CONCERNED WITH TIMING: I.E. WHETHER,
AFTER POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF PROTOCOL OF AMENDMENT, OAS MEMBERS
MAY IMMEDIATELY RESUME RELATIONS WITH CUBA OR MUST AWAIT COM-
PLETION OF RATIFICATION PROCESS; OR WHETHER, ALTERNATIVELY,
PROTOCOL'S ADOPTION MIGHT BE USED AS BASIS FOR CONVENING NEW
OFM WHICH MIGHT INSTRUCT PERMANENT COUNCIL TO RESOLVE CUBA
ISSUE ON PRAGMATIC BASIS ("FREEDOM OF ACTION" OR SIMPLE
MAJORITY VOTE). EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE CLARIFICATION OF
U.S. POSITION OF THIS POINT AND VARIOUS AVAILABLE ALTERNATIVES
AS WELL AS ANY INFORMATION WHICH MAY BE CONVEYED TO MEXICANS
AT THIS TIME.
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